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## ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION TRANSPORTATION BUREAU / RAIL SAFETY SECTION

Michael E. Stead

Rail Safety Program Administrator

December 14, 2012

Mr. Steve Palen, P.E. Director of Public Services City of Wood River 111 Wood River Avenue Wood River, IL 62095-1938

Dear Mr. Palen:

This is in response to your letter, dated December 5, 2012, concerning closure of the Evans Street (AAR/DOT #294 453D; railroad milepost 263.20-SSWNAO) highway-rail grade crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad Company's (UP) track, and the Evans Street (AAR/DOT #327 949G; railroad milepost 5.30-ITA) highway-rail grade crossing of the Norfolk Southern Corporation's (NS) track, both located in the City of Wood River, Madison County.

It will not necessary for the Illinois Commerce Commission to grant a variance to the Original Order in Docket T12-0122. It is my understanding that the definition of "cul-desac" includes the City's proposal to construct a dead end street. Therefore, a variance to the terms of the original Order is not required.

I trust this information will be helpful. If you have any questions, please contact John Saladino, Rail Safety Specialist, at (217) 785-8423 or jsaladino@icc.illinois.gov.

Very truly yours,

Michael E. Stead

Rail Safety Program Administer

Enclosure

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